


REMARKS

The purpose of the present Amendment is to delete the multiple dependent claims, and thus reduce the filing fee. It is accordingly requested that this Amendment be entered prior to the calculation of the filing fee.

This Amendment also presumes that the Article 19 Amendment has been entered in the international phase, and thus 13 claims are in the application rather than the original 23 claims.

The Applicant expressly reserves the right to file a subsequent amendment which incorporates claims which embody the subject matter of the presently cancelled claims.

Respectfully submitted,



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